Data Dictionary for Potentially Preventable Visit Rates by Patient County (SPARCS): Beginning 2011

| DE # | Data Element Name | Type (Character or Numeric) | Length | Additional Comments |
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| | | , | | The year of both the PPV discharge and the |
| 1 | Discharge Year | Character | 4 | county population used in calculation of rates. |
| 2 | Software Version | Character | 5 | 3M TM software version used to calculate PPV |
| 3 | Patient County | Character | 20 | The patient's county of residence at time of discharge. Discharges that did not have an accurate New York State county were excluded. |
| 4 | Observed Rate per 100 people | Numeric | 8 | The number of PPV discharges in the county divided by the county population, multiplied by 100. |
| 5 | Expected Rate per 100 people | Numeric | 8 | The expected number of PPV discharges in the county, adjusted by age, gender and race/ethnicity divided by the county population, multiplied by 100. |
| 6 | Risk Adjusted Rate per 100 people | Numeric | 8 | The observed PPV rate divided by the expected PPV rate, multiplied by the statewide PPV rate. |
| 7 | Difference in Rates | Numeric | 8 | The difference between the observed and expected rates. |